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A New Polarograph of the Czechoslovak Army

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1. The Czechoslovak Army has begun to use a new polarograph by means of which it is possible to analyze the chemical structure and manufacturing process of various products, even if of metal substance.

New Apparatus for Detection of Gases and Bacteria

- 2. The Czechoslovak Army ordered 20,000 new apparatus for ascertaining various kinds of gases and bacteria; the detection is both qualitative and quantitative.
- 3. The apparatus are/said to be portable and to weigh eight kilograms each. They are supposed to be highly effective. They are manufactured by the Chirana national enterprises.
- 4. In order to ascertain the presence of gases or bacteria, these instruments have to be left in an area for a certain time and then brought to special research depcts where the kind and amount of gas and for bacteria present are ascertained.

Training of Reserve Officers

5. Older reserve officers who did not undergo training after 1946 have now to go through special military training which takes place on Saturdays from 2 to 7 P.M. Attendance is strictly compulsory and in case a reservist is absent without proper excuse, he is served with a summons and has to promise to make up for his absence. Technical training is carried out by regular officers, while political schooling is performed mainly by reserve officers who are Communists.

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